



UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

EDGAR SOLIS,

Plaintiff,

v.

STATE OF CALIFORNIA, ET AL.,

Defendants.

Case No. 5:23-cv-00515-HDV-JPR

**COURT'S RESPONSE TO JURY  
NOTE NO. 2**

1 In response to Jury Note No. 2, the answer is:

2 Members of the jury, you have advised that you have been unable to agree upon  
3 a verdict in this case. I have decided to suggest a few thoughts to you.

4 As jurors, you have a duty to discuss the case with one another and to deliberate  
5 in an effort to reach a unanimous verdict if each of you can do so without violating  
6 your individual judgment and conscience. Each of you must decide the case for  
7 yourself, but only after you consider the evidence impartially with the other jurors.  
8 During your deliberations, you should not be unwilling to reexamine your own views  
9 and change your opinion if you become persuaded that it is wrong. However, you  
10 should not change an honest belief as to the weight or effect of the evidence solely  
11 because of the opinions of the other jurors or for the mere purpose of returning a  
12 verdict.

13 All of you are equally honest and conscientious jurors who have heard the same  
14 evidence. All of you share an equal desire to arrive at a verdict. Each of you should  
15 ask yourself whether you should question the correctness of your present position.

16 I remind you that in your deliberations you are to consider the instructions I  
17 have given you as a whole. You should not single out any part of any instruction,  
18 including this one, and ignore others. They are all equally important.

19 You may now return to the jury room and continue your deliberations.  
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25 Dated: February 28, 2025

  
Hernán D. Vera

United States District Judge